

**Maryland Historical Trust
State Historic Sites Inventory Form**

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. BA-2751

Magi No.

DOE yes no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic None

and/or common Hosfeld-Twist House

2. Location

street & number 6906 Wardman Road not for publication

city, town Towson x vicinity of congressional district 2nd

state Maryland county Baltimore County

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<u> </u> district	<u> </u> public	<u> </u> x occupied	<u> </u> agriculture
<u> </u> x building(s)	<u> </u> x private	<u> </u> unoccupied	<u> </u> commercial
<u> </u> structure	<u> </u> both	<u> </u> work in progress	<u> </u> educational
<u> </u> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<u> </u> entertainment
<u> </u> object	<u> </u> in process	<u> </u> yes: restricted	<u> </u> government
	<u> </u> being considered	<u> </u> yes: unrestricted	<u> </u> industrial
	<u> </u> not applicable	<u> </u> x no	<u> </u> military
			<u> </u> museum
			<u> </u> park
			<u> </u> x private residence
			<u> </u> religious
			<u> </u> scientific
			<u> </u> transportation
			<u> </u> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Thomas B. Twist & H. Parker L. Twist

street & number 6906 Wardman Road telephone no.: (410) 821-7474

city, town Towson state and zip code Maryland 21212

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Baltimore County Courts Building liber 7004

street & number 401 Bosley Avenue folio 376

city, town Towson state Maryland

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title None

date federal state county local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

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Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		date of move _____

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Hosfeld-Twist House is located at 6906 Wardman Road on the west side of the street in the section of Baltimore County known as Stoneleigh. The house is a single, two-story frame dwelling on a stone foundation with a gable roof, the ridge running from front to back. A detached garage with similarly gabled roof sits in the northwest corner of the lot. The house was constructed in the late 1920s. Several years ago the asbestos-shingled exterior of the house and the exterior of the garage were sheathed with vinyl siding and trim, including a simple cornice.

The principal (east) facade is two bays wide. The entry is located in the north bay. There is a six-panel door flanked on each side by three-light sidelights with a single panel beneath each. A one-bay entrance porch with stone flooring projects from the facade. A gable roof with round arch is supported by two round Roman doric columns. The south first-floor bay and both second-floor bays each consist of a 6/6 window. At the attic level there is a single four-light casement window. Ornamental shutters flank each window.

The south facade is three bays deep with an exterior brick chimney with a corbled cap rising between the first and second bay. Projecting one bay from the facade and extending two bays deep is a wing with a shed roof. There is a pair of 6/6 windows on the front (east) and rear (west) facades of the wing and four 6/6 windows on its south facade. The wing has a wide cornice. The first floor rear bay of the main block consists of a pair of 6/6 windows. The three second-floor bays each consist of a 6/6 window.

The rear (west) facade is identical to the front in fenestration, except that a wing one bay wide projects from the north bay. A pair of 1/1 windows occupies its west facade. Its south facade has an unadorned entry.

The north facade is two bays deep with two 6/6 windows on the first and second floors. The windows are flanked by ornamental shutters. Located between the two bays are several steps leading down to the basement doorway. Projecting from the facade over the doorway is a hip-roofed hood.

The single-vehicle garage's east facade consists of two strap-hinged doors, each having six recessed panels and six lights above. The south facade has a single six-light window with ornamental shutters. The west facade has a single-bay door with two recessed panels and four lights above. The north facade lacks fenestration.

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Interior

Much of the house has the original hardwood floors. The doors and the door and window surrounds are original except where noted. The nonlighted original interior doors have four horizontal recessed panels. Vertical door and window surrounds are flat capped above by an entablature with moulding.

The first floor is comprised of a parlor stretching across the front of the main block, with a small wing connected to the south facade, a dining room on the south side of the rear of this level, and a kitchen occupying the balance.

On the north wall of the parlor, a closed-string stair rises to the second floor. The banister is supported by square balusters. A square newel post with decorative moulding sits on a landing at the foot. In the northeast corner of the parlor is a closet. A pilaster matching the newel post flanks the exterior closet wall on the stair landing. A 15-light door leads to the wing. The chimney occupies much of the interior space of the wing. Located on the parlor's south wall is a brick fireplace with a simple wooden mantel.

A pair of 15-light doors separates the parlor from the dining room, which includes a corner cupboard on the south wall. A rounded plaster archway leads from the parlor to the kitchen, which has been modernized. A small wooden porch was enclosed and incorporated into the interior space. A pair of modern louvered doors leads from the kitchen into the dining room.

Access to the basement is gained by a stairway descending from the kitchen. Much of the basement has been converted to a modern room, but the square wooden horizontal beam and square wooden post supporting the house have been left exposed.

On the second floor, a hall leads at a right angle from the stairway. In the northeast quadrant is a bathroom, and three bedrooms occupy the remaining quadrants. On the east side of the hall, there is a small wooden door in the wall about four feet from the floor, giving access to a laundry chute.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
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		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates	Builder/Architect
c. 1927	
check: Applicable Criteria: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D	
and/or	
Applicable Exception: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/> E <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> G	
Level of Significance: <input type="checkbox"/> national <input type="checkbox"/> state <input type="checkbox"/> local	

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The Hosfeld-Twist House is an interesting example of home construction undertaken in Stoneleigh during its early years of development. The dwelling is modest in comparison to some of the larger, more stylized homes of the community, particularly those designed to convey an English flavor.

The development of Stoneleigh as a community was a natural outgrowth of post-World War I expansion, when improved transportation and communication made living in suburbs convenient to the city but largely removed from it.

Stoneleigh was planned in 1922 by a group of businessmen headed by Irvin E. Butler, who had done similar residential development in Roland Park and Guilford in Baltimore City. The pre-Depression years were prosperous ones for their organization, the Stoneleigh Corporation. By the middle of 1927, approximately 100 houses had been completed and were occupied.¹

Chester Hosfeld purchased the lots on which the house sits from the Stoneleigh Corporation in 1927.² The asbestos-shingled frame dwelling with its garage was home for Chester and Edith Hosfeld until their deaths in 1976 and 1969 respectively.³ Their only child, Carol, remained in the house until 1985, when it was sold to its current owners, Tom and Parker Twist.⁴

Although the Twists have made significant changes to the house (including covering the exterior with vinyl siding and trim and enclosing the original back porch and absorbing the added space as part of the expanded kitchen), they have retained nearly all the original interior architectural features as well as the distinctive front porch.

¹ "A Brief History of Stoneleigh"

² Baltimore County Land Records 642:410.

³ Baltimore County Lands Records 7004:376.

⁴ Conversation with Parker Twist, November 27, 1993.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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Baltimore County Land Records

Conversation with Parker Twist November 27, 1993

"A Brief History of Stoneleigh" (undated)(unpublished) James C. Mullikin, ed.

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

Quadrangle scale _____

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Verbal boundary description and justification _____

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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11. Form Prepared By

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city or town Towson, state Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

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CROWNSVILLE, MD 21032-2023
514-7600

Chain of Title
Hosfeld-Twist House
6906 Wardman Road

7004:376

13 September 1985

Deed

Carol M. Hosfeld to Thomas B. Twist and H. Parker L. Twist, his wife. Grantor conveys lots 16 and 17 Block 8 as recorded in Plat Book WPC No. 7 folio 87. Death of Edith Hosfeld noted as on or about September 23, 1969, and death of Chester Hosfeld noted as on or about January 15, 1976. Same obtained 24 April 1968, 4870:138.

4870:138

24 April 1968

Deed

Edna M. Schneider, unmarried, to Chester A. Hosfeld, Edith L. Hosfeld, his wife, and Carol M. Hosfeld, daughter, lots 16 and 17 Block 8. Same obtained 24 April 1968, 4870:136.

4870:136

24 April 1868

Deed

Chester A. Hosfeld and Edith L. Hosfeld, his wife, to Edna M. Schneider lots 16 and 17 Block 8. Same obtained 28 December 1927, 652:277.

652:277

28 December 1927

Deed

Edward B. Eisenbrandt to Chester A. Hosfeld and Mary Edith Hosfeld, his wife, lots 16 and 17 Block 8. Same obtained 28 December 1927, 652:276.

652:276

28 December 1927

Deed

Chester A. Hosfeld and Mary Edith Hosfeld, his wife, to Edward B. Eisenbrandt lots 16 and 17 Block 8. Same obtained 18 March 1927, 642:410.

642:410

18 March 1927

Deed

The Stoneleigh Corporation to Chester Ambrose Hosfeld lots 16 and 17 Block 8.

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BLOCKS No. 1 to 13 incl

AND

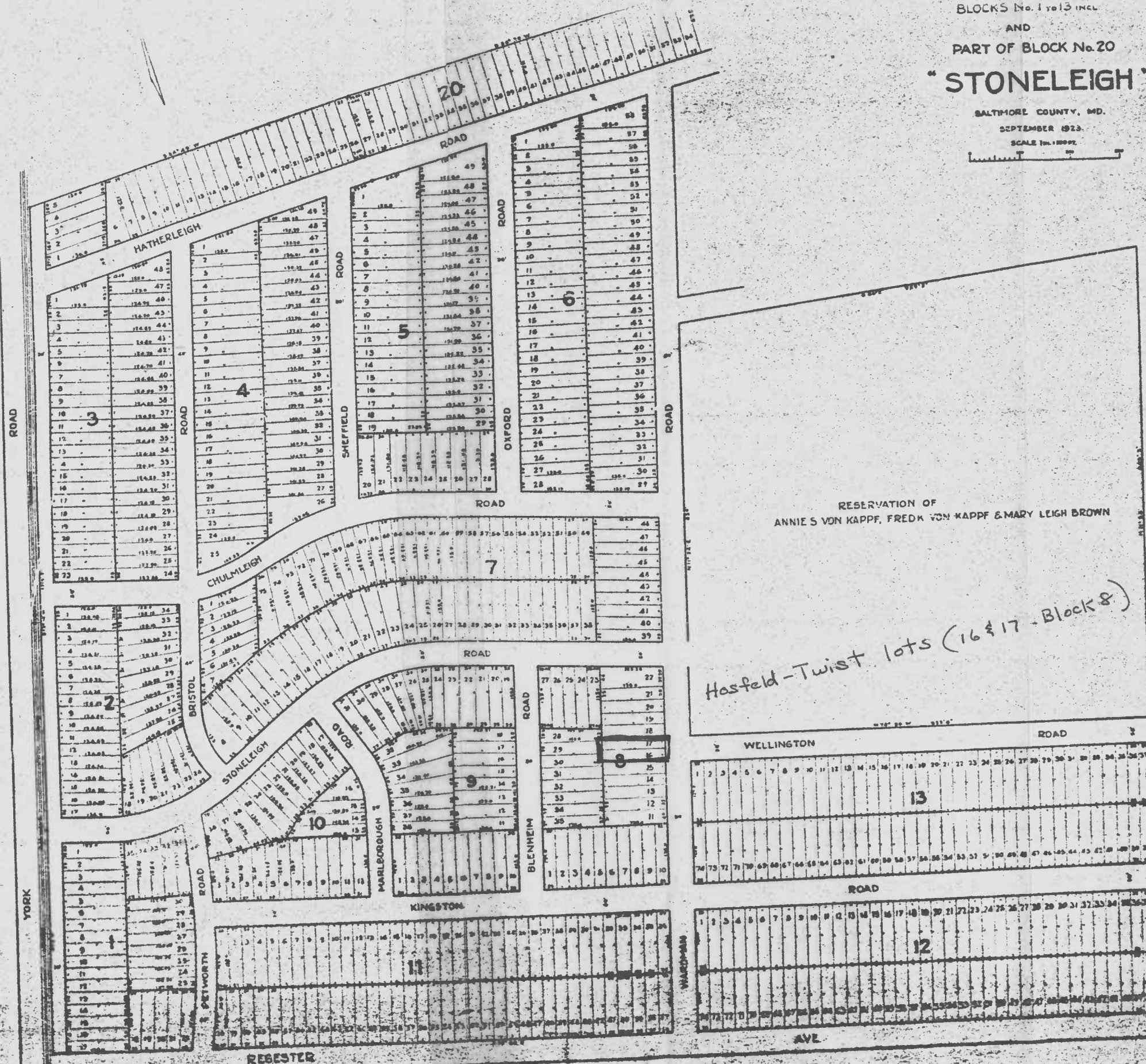
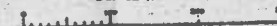
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BALTIMORE COUNTY, MD.

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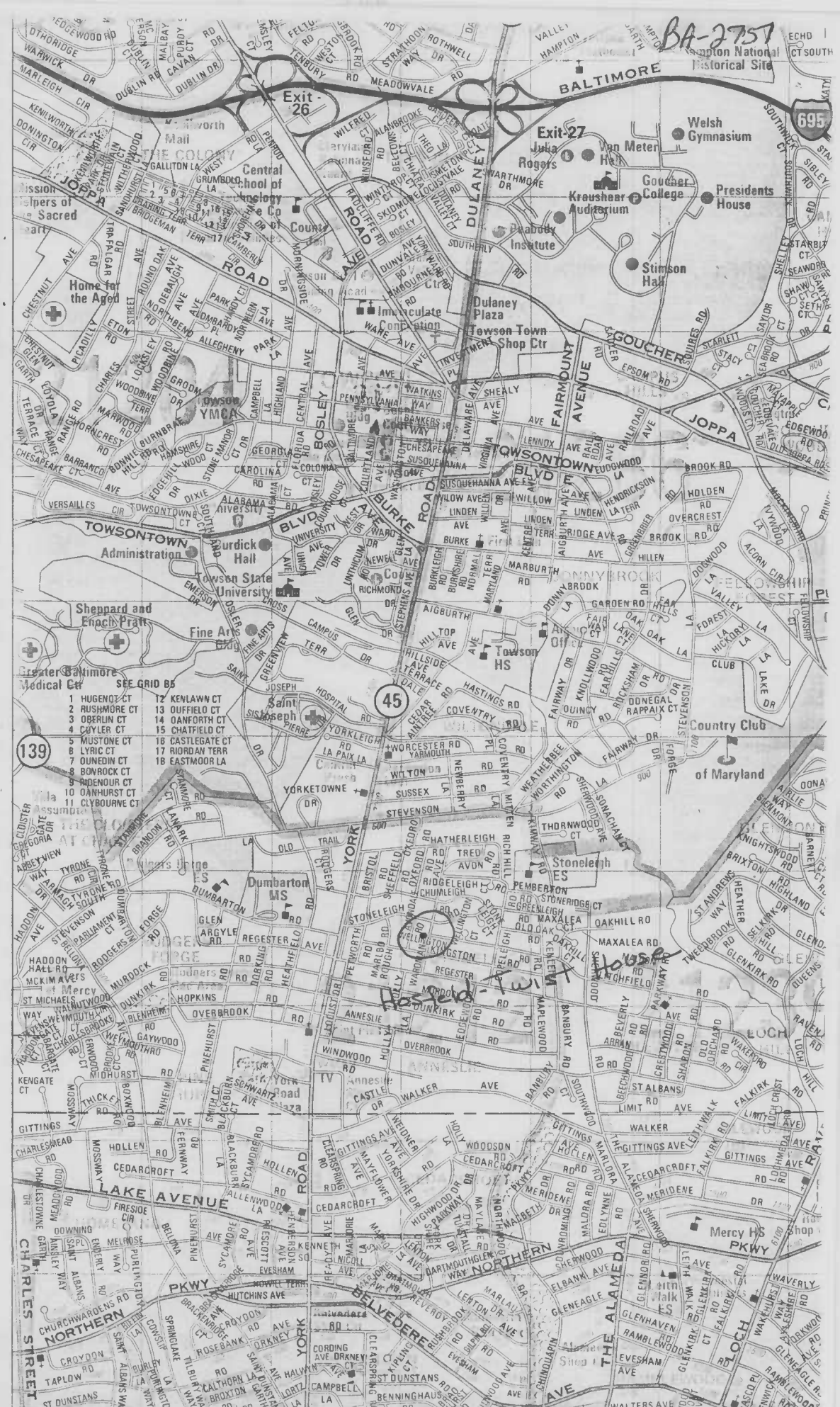
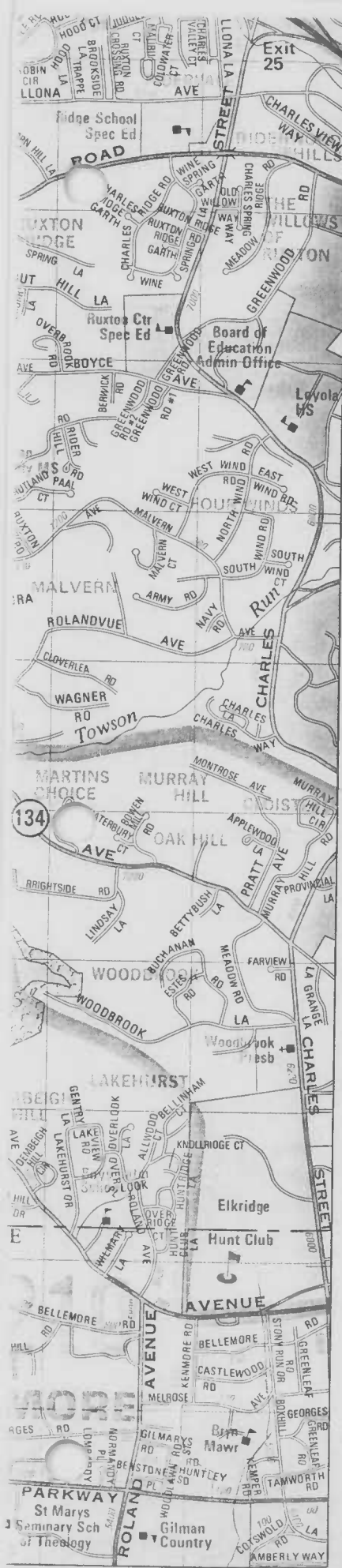
SCALE 1 in. = 1000 ft.



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6906 Hardman Road
Dowson, Md.



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Hosfeld - Twist House
6906 Wardman Road
Pawson, Md.



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Hosfeld - Twist House

6906 Wardman Road

Towson, Md.



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Hosfeld - Tourist House

6906 Wardman Road

Powson, Md.



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Kosfeld-Twist House
6906 Wardman Road
Towson, Md.



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Hosfeld- Twist House

6906 Hardman Road

Towson, Md.



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Hosfeld- Tourist House
6906 Hardman Road
Prusa, Md.



BA-2757

Hosfeld - Faust House
6906 Hardman Road
Towson, Md.



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Wesley-Pavist House

6906 Hardman Road

Towson, Md.



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Hosfeld - Parent House

6906 Wardman Road

Douson, Md.



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Hosfeld-Twist House
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